

ILEMBE DISTRICT NEWSLETTER

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ILEMBE DISTRICT PARTICIPATES IN TAKING SERVICES TO COMMUNITIES

Ilembe Health District has in the past years participated in taking service delivery to the community. This is evidenced by the activities that the District engages in and measures on quarterly basis.

Recently the district launched the Khanya Africa project. This is a non profitable organization that works in partnership with the DOH to ensure and improve access to service especially to the rural communities. The DOH staff were encouraged to volunteer their time and services to the needy or hard to reach communities.

Khanya Africa was launched on Wednesday, 25 February 2009 at KwaDukuza Municipality Hall. The purpose of the launch was to introduce the project to the DOH staff and to encourage them to volunteer their services.

About 300 staff members attended the event and they pledged to serve the hard to reach community of Ilembe. This was witnessed by the Deputy Mayor of Ilembe Municipality Cllr Badul, Traditional Leaders/Healers, NGO's, CBO's and the local media came in numbers to capture the event.



From right: District Manager (with hands up)-Ms S Dube, Dr Nxumalo (White shirt) – Khanya Africa Chairperson, Ms Keshnee Naicker from Corporate Communications and beneficiaries with their parents.

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Eleven children with cerebral palsy were assessed and provided with assistive devices as well as blankets and toys that were donated by KwaDukuza Pep Store.

The district is doing its best to support the project despite the challenge of budgetary constraints.

The programme for 2009 has been drawn out for Khanya Africa activities. The District is one of the few that submitted their programmes early and was awarded with a laptop.



Health Professionals pledging to volunteer their services to the communities of Ilembe District



Mrs R B Sishi-Snr Communication Practitioner

FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

Welcome to 2009 and to our 5th publication. I believe everyone has been enjoying reading this publication. I am aware of the fact that not all the readers have access to this publication. The plan to print more copies did not materialize due to unforeseen circumstances which were beyond my control.

BRIEF REPORT

In 2008/2009 financial year, 4 newsletters reporting on activities that were held by the district were published. On that note the district would like to thank all the PRO's and Acting PRO's of all institutions for making all activities a great success.

The district conducted at least 44 health education talks through community radio stations namely Ikhwezi Community Radio and Goodnews Community Radio.

Two team buildings were held for the district office.

About 12 media releases where issued on local newspapers on health awareness perspectives.

The will of God will never take you where the Grace of God will not protect you.'



BRIEF REPORT FROM THE EDITOR CONT...

EVENTS

About 10 events conducted in 2008/2009 financial year to create health awareness and to educate the public on different aspects of diseases.

All our institutions were assessed on the above practices using different tools and some were found compliant and others were partially compliant. Those that need improvement are being assisted by the district to improve their standards.



BATO PELE AND PATIENTS RIGHTS PRACTICE



We value your inputs, all suggestions must be dropped in this box or contact Bonle Sishi On 032-437 3500 or Fax 032-5511590 or email bonle.sishi@kznhealth.gov.za

2008/2009 SUMMARY OF DISTRICT COMPLAINTS REPORT

QUARTER 4 OF 2007/2008

TOTAL = 52
RESOLVED = 48 = 92%
OUTSTANDING = 4 = 8%

QUARTER 1 OF 2008

TOTAL = 96
RESOLVED = 47 = 49%
OUTSTANDING = 49 = 51%

QUARTER 2 OF 2008

TOTAL = 126
RESOLVED = 105 = 90%
OUTSTANDING = 21 = 10%

QUARTER 3 OF 2008

TOTAL = 66
RESOLVED = 47 = 79%
OUTSTANDING = 19 = 29%

QUARTER 4 OF 2009/2010

TOTAL = 76
RESOLVED = 59 = 78%
OUTSTANDING = 17 = 22%

CHILD HEALTH WEEK FOR MAPHUMULO SUB-DISTRICT

Ilembe Health District was identified to participate on the 18 Priority Districts Project. This was due to poor performance of Maphumulo sub-district in issues related to child health indicators, poor access to health care services and the poverty deprivation index. The District has partnered with UNICEF and MCDI to accelerate service delivery to the targets set for this project.

A Child Health Week was identified as a strategy to improve child health. The campaign was conducted from 23 to 29 March 2009. It was launched at Untunjambili Hospital on 23 March 2009. The purpose of the launch was to encourage the community to bring their children for immunisation.



Delegates from DEPT of Health, UNICEF, Municipality and Hospital Board Members during Child Health Week-launch



Delegates watching a stage play



During immunisation



Mid Upper Arm Circumference

APRIL—HEALTH AWARENESS MONTH

April is a health awareness month and the 17th of April has been dedicated for a World Haemophilia Day.

What is Haemophilia?

Haemophilia is a disorder of the blood-clotting system. Normally when you cut

yourself, your blood plugs the wound by changing from a liquid to a solid and forming a blood clot. If you have haemophilia, your blood will not clot normally and you may bleed for longer than normal.

What are the causes?

It is caused by a lack of one of the clotting factors involved in the blood clotting process.

It is a generic disorder that affects males.

What are the typical signs of haemophilia?

- Bleeding, particularly into the joints and muscles is common.
- Easy bruising, prolonged nosebleeds, or vomiting of blood. You are encouraged to visit your local clinic if you have the above-mentioned signs or visit this website- www.haemophilia.org.za



Haemophilia picture

PHYSICAL INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENTS



Nsunduzane Health Post before renovations



Nsunduzane Health post before renovations



Nsunduzane Health Post after renovations

SIYABONGA
UMSEBENZI
OMUHLE
KANGAKA
ON-
COMEKAYO!



Inside walls before



Inside walls after

PHYSICAL INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENTS



The new nurses' residence for kwaNyuswa clinic



KwaNyuswa Clinic, residence and paving



Inside Nsunduzane Clinic before renovations



Inside Nsunduzane Clinic after renovations



New Public Toilets at KwaNyuswa Clinic

Mmm! Lendlu yokuzikhulula ungalala ngisho kuyo indlela enhle ngayo!

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VISION STATEMENT

To be better than the best in achieving optimal health status and a functional district health system for the community in Ilembe District

MISSION STATEMENT

With compassion, deliver comprehensive, intergrated, coordinated, sustainable and responsive quality health care at all levels based on the primary health care approach through the district health system.



CORE VALUES

Committed to performance, courage to change/transform with honest, trust, integrity and mutual respect in an innovative, open and transparent manner.

We are on the web:
[www.kznhealth.gov.za/Ilembe District](http://www.kznhealth.gov.za/IlembeDistrict)

HAPPY BIRTHDAY'S

JANUARY

1. Ngwenya G.D- District Training Coordinator
2. Mtshali JD-DIO
3. Mhlongo JL - HRM Practitioner

FEBRUARY

1. Mrs Hlophe NE—CUPB
2. Zwane SC - SCM Assistant
3. Miss Gcabashe VN - HRM Assistant

MARCH

1. Miss Mpanza TP— CDC
2. Mrs Ndadane CN— MCWH&PMTCT
3. Mr Ramsing J— Chief Works Inspector
4. Mr Mthiyane VB— Fleet Manager
5. Miss Zungu NJ— General Orderly
6. Miss Myeza SG-SCM Assistant
7. Mr Ngcobo B-Principal HRO

April

1. Ms S.D Dube-District Manager
2. Ms Maphalala T.E-HAST
3. Mbatha ND-SCM Practitioner

FAREWELL GUYS

Miss S.P Zondo- Accounting Assistant

Mr L.I Luthuli— Accounting Assistant

Miss N.Y Mthembu-HR Intern